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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 25 October 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

4.30 p.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Briefing by the Secretary-General

Briefing by Mrs. Sadako Ogata, High Commissioner for Refugees

Briefing by Mr. Ibrahima Fall, Special Envoy of the Secretary-General

Other matters

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	1338th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m.	41st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Question of the Falkland Islands (Malvinas) [49].
2. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union [29]:
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/402);
   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.6).
3. International assistance for the rehabilitation and reconstruction of Nicaragua: aftermath of the war and natural disasters [36]:
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/263);
   (b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.3).

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

2 p.m.-3 p.m.	informal meeting	Conference Room 2

Informal executive briefing for delegations on industrial development cooperation (agenda item 95 (a)) by Mr. Mauricio de Maria y Campos, Director-General of the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	16th meeting	Conference Room 2

Sectoral policy questions [95]

(a) Industrial development cooperation (A/51/340, A/51/211-S/1996/551 and A/51/462-S/1996/831)

(b) Food and sustainable agricultural development (A/51/431)

Introduction and general discussion

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations on items 103 (Advancement of women) and 104 (Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women)

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	14th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

Advancement of women [103] (A/51/3 (Parts I and II), A/51/38, A/51/90, A/51/180, A/51/210, A/51/277 and Corr.1, A/51/304 and Corr.1, A/51/ 309, A/51/325, A/51/391)

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [104] (A/51/90, A/51/210, A/51/322)

Continuation of general discussion

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces Headquarters [129] (A/50/696/Add.6, A/50/696/Add.7, A/50/389, A/51/305, A/51/491 and A/51/497)

   Introduction

2. Programme planning [114] (A/51/6 (fascicles), A/51/16 (Parts I and II) and A/51/6 (Perspective and Note))

   Continuation of general discussion

3. Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116] (A/C.5/50/57 and Add.1, A/50/7/Add.16 and A/51/7/Add.1)

   Continuation of general discussion

4. Human resources management [120] (A/C.5/49/63, A/C.5/49/64, A/C.5/50/64, A/C.5/51/1, A/C.5/51/2, A/C.5/51/3, A/C.5/51/6, A/C.5/51/7, A/51/304, A/51/421 and A/51/475)

   Continuation of general discussion

5. Pattern of conferences [118] (A/51/32, A/51/253, A/51/268 and Corr.1, A/51/337 and A/51/125)

   Continuation of general discussion

6. Financing of the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda [136] (A/50/712/Add.1-3 and A/51/474)

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	24th meeting	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	25th meeting	Conference Room 1

[Working Group of the Whole on the Convention on the Law of the Non-navigational Uses of International Watercourses (13th and 14th meetings)]

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UNITED NATIONS ADMINISTRATIVE TRIBUNAL

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778
2.30 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Room DC1-778

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION

Second regular session of 1996

3 p.m.- 6.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 25 October 1996

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUP 1 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21)

10 a.m.-11.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

UNITED NATIONS DISARMAMENT FELLOWSHIP, TRAINING AND ADVISORY SERVICES PROGRAMME

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

GROUP OF 77 OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)
(briefing by Mr. Rubens Ricupero, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, and other matters)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

ZONE OF PEACE AND COOPERATION OF SOUTH ATLANTIC

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: DRAFTING GROUPS 1 AND 2 OF THE WORKING GROUP ON DISARMAMENT

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

GROUP OF 77
(Second Committee matters: operational activities (funding))

4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

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Informal meetings

There will be a CTBT informal meeting (open-ended) *today*, 25 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2, to discuss the following subjects: (a) Provisional Technical Secretariat; and (b) Working Group B (working programme).

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There will be closed meeting of the Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) *today*, 25 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The Executive Secretary of the Commission, Mr. Gert Rosenthal, will present the report of the Special Working Group.

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There will be a meeting of the States most affected by the worldwide landmine crisis to discuss the First Committee draft resolution entitled "An International Agreement to Ban Anti-personnel Landmines" *today*, 25 October 1996, at 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Objective Informatin on Military Matters, including Transparency of Military Expenditures" *today*, 25 October 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room B.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors and (potential co-sponsors) of draft resolution entitled "The Nuclear-weapon Free Southern Hemisphere and Adjacent Areas" *today*, 25 October 1996, fromt 1.45 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room C.

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Briefings

The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) will hold an informal briefing *today*, 25 October 1996 from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7. Dr. Peter Piot, Executive Director of UNAIDS, and Mrs. Sally Cowal, Director of External Relations on UNAIDS, will give a briefing on the major issues and latest developments of UNAIDS. All interested delegations, United Nations Programmes and specialized agencies are invited to attend.

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The High Commissioner for Human Rights, Mr. José Ayala-Lasso, will hold a briefing on recent developments in the human rights programme *today*, 25 October 1996, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All delegations of Member States are invited to attend.

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Presentations

There will be a presentation by the Director-General of UNESCO, Mr. Federico Mayor, on "Towards a Culture of Peace" (in conjunction with agenda item 110 (b)) *today*, 25 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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A presentation on the theme "Practical Implementation of the Habitat Agenda via Internet", organized by the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, will be held *today*, 25 October 1996, from 3.30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Monday, 28 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 42nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency [14]:

(a) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Agency (A/51/307);

(b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.9);

(c) Amendment (A/51/L.10).

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	14th meeting	Conference Room 4

SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

3 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 3

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	17th meeting	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	18th meeting	Conference Room 2

THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	15th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber
3 p.m.	16th meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

FIFTH COMMITTEE

	Informal consultations	
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	26th meeting	Conference Room 1

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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SPECIAL POLITICAL AND DECOLONIZATION COMMITTEE (FOURTH COMMITTEE)

The Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) will take action on the following draft resolutions and draft decision relating to agenda items 19, 88 and 91 on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 3: Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations [88] (A/51/23 (Part IV), chap. VIII, para. 8); Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories [91] (A/C.4/51/L.6); Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [19]: (a) Question of Western Sahara: draft resolution (A/C.4/51/L.4); (b) Question of Gibraltar: draft decision (A/C.4/51/L.5); (c) Question of New Caledonia: draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part V), chap. IX, para. 32); (d) Question of Tokelau: draft resolution (A/51/23 (Part VII), chap. XI, para. 11).

Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list of speakers for the general debate relating to agenda item 84 (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East), which is scheduled for Wednesday, 30 October 1996, are kindly requested to notify the Secretariat (room S-3380, tel: 963-9223).

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SECOND COMMITTEE

The lists of speakers for all items allocated to the Second Committee are open for inscription. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee (Ms. Nicole Pouilleul, tel.: 212-963-5700, fax: 212-963-5935).

Informal meeting of the Second Committee

Mr. Wally N'Dow, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations Centre for Human Settlements, Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)), will hold an informal executive briefing for delegations on Habitat Agenda (agenda item 96 (e)) on Monday, 28 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

There will be a briefing by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) on "Our Creative Diversity" (Report of the Pérez de Cuellar Commission on Culture and Development), in conjuntion with agenda item 96 (g), on Tuesday, 29 October 1996, from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

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The 1996 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities and the 1996 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be held in two segments.

The joint opening of both Pledging Conferences will take place on Monday, 4 November 1996, at 10 a.m., to be followed by the segment devoted to the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities. The second meeting devoted to this segment will take place on Tuesday, 5 November, at 10 a.m.

The segment devoted to the 1996 United Nations/Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Pledging Conference for the World Food Programme will be convened on Monday, 4 November, at 3 p.m.

It would be appreciated if delegations which have not already done so, could submit the names of their representatives to both pledging conferences to the Secretary of the Pledging Conferences, Mr. Alexandre De Barros (room S-2950G, ext. 3-2320/3-5973).

The list of speakers for both Pledging Conferences will be open beginning 28 October until 1 November. Delegations wishing to be inscribed for both pledging conferences are requested to contact the Secretariat (Mr. A. De Barros or Ms. L. Bawar (tel.: 3-2320 or 3-5973, fax: 212-963-5935, room S-2950G)).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The next meetings of the resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1] (E/1996/93)

   Selection of themes for the high-level, the coordination segment and the high-level segment on operational activities for development for the 1997 substantive session of the Council (E/1996/ 103)

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and Development [6 (i)] (E/1996/99, E/1996/L.26)

3. Coordination questions: reports of the coordination bodies [9 (a)] (E/1996/18 and Add.1)

4. Non-governmental organizations [10] (E/1996/102)*

5. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11] (A/51/16 (Part II))

6. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13] (E/1996/CRP.3/Rev.1 and CRP.5)

7. Elections [14] (E/1996/95 and Corr.1, E/1996/L.15/Add. 2)

* To be issued.

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The Organizational Committee of the Administrative Committee on Coordination will meet on 28 and 29 October 1996 in Conference Room 6.

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Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA

The Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund will hold informal consultations on the *Human Development Report 1997* on Thursday, 31 October 1996, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Women's International Forum on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 11 a.m. (conference room to be announced). A panel consisting of H.E. Mr. R. Butler, Permanent Representative of Australia, H.E. Mr. C. Amorim, Permanent Representative of Brazil, and Mr. Rolf Ekeus, Executive Chairman of the United Nations Special Commission, will discuss the theme "Reversing History's Greatest Accident: The Canberra Commission Report on the Elimination of Nuclear Weapons". All staff members are invited. Participants are asked to be seated at 10.45 a.m.

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There will be a closed meeting of the Commonwealth Permanent Representatives on Thursday, 7 November 1996, at 11 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Informal meetings

There will be a CTBT informal Bureau meeting (open-ended) on Tuesday, 29 October 1996, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7, to review the progress to date.

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Meetings of co-sponsors

On Monday, 28 October 1996, in Conference Room 5, there will be a meeting of co-sponsors of the draft resolution entitled "Prohibition of the Production of Fissile Material for Nuclear Weapons or Other Nuclear Explosive Devices" at 11 a.m. and a meeting of co-sponsors of draft resolution entitled "The Role of Science and Technology in the Context of International Security, Disarmament and Other Related Fields" at 11.30 a.m.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors (on potential co-sponsors) of the draft resolution entitled "Status of the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production and Stockpiling of Bacteriological (Biological) and Toxin Weapons and on their Destruction" will be held on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 12 noon in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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There will be a meeting of co-sponsors (and potential co-sponsors) of the draft resolution entitled "Transparency in Disarmament" on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 12.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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United Nations Development Programme

1996 Paul G. Hoffman Lecture

Mr. Robert Kuttner, founder and member of the Board of Directors of the Economic Policy Institute, Washington, founder and Co-editor of *The American Prospect*, contributing columnist to *Business Week*, syndicated columnist of *The Boston Globe*, author, and recipient of awards for excellence in business and financial journalism, will deliver the 1996 Paul G. Hoffman Lecture, on the subject "Global Competitiveness and Human Development: Allies or Adversaries?" on Friday, 1 November 1996, from 6 to 7.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. Permanent Representatives, members of delegations to the United Nations, representatives of the private sector, including financial institutions, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations, media, academia, and United Nations staff are invited to attend.

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Announcement

The Economic and Social Council wishes to invite delegations, Secretariat staff and all interested colleagues to a gathering in memory of Mr. Göran Ohlin, former Assistant Secretary-General for Development Research and Policy Analysis, on Monday, 28 October 1996, at 12 noon in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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Announcement

The Presidency of the Security Council will conduct an informal briefing on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council at *3 p.m.*, on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the month of October, except on those days when no consultations of the whole of the Council are scheduled.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 24 October 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

40th plenary meeting

Hurricane in the Bahamas and Cuba

The President of the General Assembly, on behalf of the Assembly, extended his deepest sympathy to the Governments and the peoples of the Bahamas and Cuba for the extensive material damage which had resulted from a recent hurricane.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Bahamas and Cuba.

Address by His Excellency Mr. Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon

His Excellency Mr. Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, addressed the General Assembly.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of American States [22]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/297 and Add.1);

(b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.5/Rev.1)

The representative of Honduras made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.5/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Argentina, Colombia, Ecuador and Haiti.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 253 (III) of 16 October 1948, the observer for the Organization of American States made a statement.

The Assembly decided to waive the relevant provision of rule 78 of the rules of procedure so that it could consider draft resolution A/51/L.5/Rev.1.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.5/Rev.1 (resolution 51/4).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 22.

Universal Congress on the Panama Canal [28]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/51/281);

(b) Draft resolution (A/51/L.4)

The representative of Panama made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/51/L.4.

Statements were made by the representatives of France, Argentina, the United States, Ecuador and Haiti.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.4 (resolution 51/5).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 28.

Observer status for the International Seabed Authority in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/51/L.2) [160]

The representative of Jamaica made a statement in the course of which she introduced draft resolution A/51/L.2.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/51/L.2 (resolution 51/6).

In accordance with Assembly resolution 51/6 of 24 October 1996, the Secretary-General for the International Seabed Authority made a statement.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 160.

Committees

FIRST COMMITTEE 12th meeting

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Nigeria, Georgia, Poland (who, in his capacity as President of the Conference on Disarmament, introduced the report of the Conference as contained in document A/51/27), Cameroon, Turkey, the Holy See, Zambia and Yemen, by the Executive Secretary of the Preparatory Commission for the Organisation for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (OPCW), as well as by the representatives of the Sudan, Namibia and Oman.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

13th meeting

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and heard statements by the representatives of Iraq, Botswana, Jamaica, Benin, Togo, Burundi, Kuwait, the Syrian Arab Republic, Nicaragua, Afghanistan, Brunei Darussalam and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Director of the Centre for Disarmament Affairs made a statement.

The Chairman made a statement.

SECOND COMMITTEE 14th meeting

Environment and sustainable development [97]

(a) *Implementation of the decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development*

(b) *Special session for the purpose of an overall review and appraisal of the implementation of Agenda 21*

The Committee continued consideration of item 97 (a) and (b).

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to an additional document to be considered under this item (A/C.2/51/5).

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union; Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia, Associate Countries, aligned themselves with this statement, as did Iceland), Bolivia (also on behalf of Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Mexico, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Uruguay, Venezuela and Costa Rica, representing Central America), Hungary, Mongolia, Benin, Germany, the Niger, Ukraine, Nigeria, the Republic of Korea, Egypt, Algeria, Israel, Sweden, Kazakstan, Zimbabwe, the Sudan, the Philippines, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Zambia and Bolivia.

The representative of the International Fund for Agricultural Development made a statement.

The representative of the United Nations Sudano-Sahelian Office also made a statement.

The Executive Secretary of the Interim Secretariat for the Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa, responded to the statements made by delegates.

The representative of Trinidad and Tobago made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded the general discussion on agenda item 97 (a) and (b) and item 97 as a whole.

THIRD COMMITTEE 13th meeting

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairperson made a statement.

Advancement of women [103]

Implementation of the Outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women [104]

The Committee began its joint consideration of the items and heard introductory statements by the Assistant Secretary-General and Special Adviser to the Secretary-General on Gender Issues, the Assistant Secretary-General for Human Resources Management, the Director of the Division for the Advancement of Women of the Department for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development and the Director of the United Nations Development Fund for Women.

Statements were made by the representatives of Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Mexico, Zambia (on behalf of the Southern African Development Community (SADC)), Japan, Norway, the Netherlands, Malaysia, Côte d'Ivoire, Slovakia, Senegal and Argentina.

Statements were also made by the acting Director of the United Nations International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (INSTRAW) and the Chairperson of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women (CEDAW).

The representative of UNESCO made a statement.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 13th meeting

Pattern of conferences [118]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) and the Russian Federation.

Programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya and Nicaragua.

Human resources management [120]

The Committee continued its consideration of this item.

A statement was made by the representative of Burkina Faso.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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International Convention on Civil and Political Rights

HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE
Fifty-eighth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER 1996

1537th and 1538th meetings

Consideration of reports submitted by State parties under article 40 of the Convention [4]

The Committee began its consideration of the initial report of Switzerland (CCPR/C/81/Add.8). In accordance with rule 68 of the rules of procedure, the representatives of the State party were present at the meetings, introduced the report submitted by their Government, and replied to questions raised and comments made by members of the Committee in connection with the report.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

Agreement on the Establishment of the International Vaccine Institute, opened for signature at New York on 28 October 1996

On Monday, 28 October 1996, at 11 a.m., a ceremony which will mark the opening for signature of the Agreement, will take place in Conference Room 8.

Delegations intending to sign the Agreement at that time are advised to submit the appropriate full powers in time, preferably in advance of the ceremony to the Treaty Section of the Office of Legal Affairs, (room S-3200, telefax: 963-3693).

Agreement Establishing the Bank for Economic Cooperation and Development in the Middle East and North Africa, done on 28 August 1996

Signature : Jordan (24 October 1996)

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Ratification: Sri Lanka (24 October 1996)*

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly of the United Nations on 10 September 1996

Signature: Bangladesh and Sri Lanka (24 October 1996)

Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer, concluded at Vienna on 22 March 1985

Accession: Republic of Moldova (24 October 1996)*

Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, concluded at Montreal on 16 September 1987

Accession: Republic of Moldova (24 October 1996)*

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* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

World Food Day

A special ceremony to mark World Food Day 1996 under the theme "Fighting Hunger and Malnutrition" will be held *today*, 25 October 1996, at 9.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The meeting will be addressed by H.E. Razali Ismail, President of the fifty-first session of the General Assembly, H.E. Mr. Boutros Boutros-Ghali, Secretary-General of the United Nations, H.E. Mr. Jean-Marie Kacou Gervais, President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Dr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, and Dr. Ivan L. Head, Professor of Law and Chair in South-North Studies (University of British Columbia) and former President of the International Development Research Centre (IDRC) (Canada) as the Keynote Speaker.

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